



Community Assistance Grants

Successful Applications

As part of our March 2025 Community Assistance Grants scheme, we have awarded funding to 27 local community events and projects. By providing financial assistance we support outcomes that promote participation, inclusion, working and learning together, supporting connectedness and activating community spaces such as parks, halls and other facilities. Our grants scheme encourages the provision of projects and events for the wider community.

27 activities will be funded in this round (\$151,065.71) include:

Yarram Agricultural Society

Yarram Agricultural Show

The Yarram Agricultural Show is a local, iconic, and historic community event that has been in existence for 141 years. The event showcases talent in traditional exhibits of cookery, horticulture, poultry, art & craft, and photography.

Maffra & District Agricultural Pastoral & Horticultural Society Inc

The Beet Goes On

This year, the Maffra Show will celebrate our district's origins in and around Maffra with a play on words of the beat of Maffra and the past agricultural history of the sugar beet era.

Port Albert Progress Association

2025 NYE Twilight Market and Fireworks event

A family-friendly, free community event with kids' activities, Market, Food vans and Fireworks display. The funds will be used to help fund approximately 1/3 of the cost of the annual NYE fireworks display event.

The Gumboot Collective

Gippsland Writers Festival

The annual writers' festival hosted in Yarram to celebrate storytelling, reading and writing. Funding will be used to bring authors to Yarram as well as holding writing workshops for local residents, to increase the accessibility and skills of local writers and readers, particularly under-represented members of the community such as disengaged, isolated or disconnected residents, and those who rely on supports such as Mirridong Disability Services.

Yarram Eisteddfod

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The Yarram Eisteddfod is an eight-day Music and Drama competition providing an opportunity for

individual performers, school groups and bands to perform and compete in an encouraging environment at Yarram's historic Regent Theatre.

Sale Netball Association Inc.

Netball for All - Operational and Strategic Planning to increase participation and inclusion

Our project brings all committee members together for essential strategic planning to strengthen club management, inclusivity and volunteer engagement for long-term sustainability.

Princes Highway Reserve Committee Inc

Kitchen upgrade

Replacement of the outdated kitchen at the Rosedale old school building to meet industry and Shire standards. As we will soon be opening the building to the public, we would like to have a functioning kitchen for use when hiring for events and for holding public events.

Paradise & Golden Beach Senior Citizens Club Inc.

Senior Friendship and Trips Events and Activities

To help build friendships and outings in an otherwise very isolated town. Using Sale Bus Lines to take the Seniors out for social day trips that include trip to Baw Baw, activities such as Dancing, Day at the race, Theme parks, Sale cinema for a movie day.

Sale Food Support Incorporated

Strengthening Sale Food Support's Sustainability

To purchase to following to help our volunteer base: Laptop Computer, hydraulic Trolley, Gazebo, Shelving, Whiteboard. These initiatives are vital to improving our services to our community.

Anglican Parish of Avon

Avon Anglican Family Fun Fair

A family-friendly, free community event with 4 hours of stress-free fun for families of Stratford and surrounding districts /towns. It is a great event that increases social connection and participation in a safe and sustainable environment.

Port Albert Maritime Museum

Landscaping & Garden for the museum yard

Landscaping and Garden Works for New Temporary Exhibition Building. The funds will be used for the required landscaping and garden works as mandated by Heritage Victoria for our new temporary exhibition building at the Port Albert Maritime Museum.

Stratford Bowling Club Inc

Update Amenities

We need updated features to assist users and make their Bowls club experience a positive one. We seek these funds for the upgrade of the ladies' toilets and new taps in the accessible toilet.

Heyfield Football Netball Club Inc

Mobile Electronic Netball Scoreboard

Contribution towards the purchase of an electronic mobile netball scoreboard

Sale Tennis Club Inc.

Sale Open & Junior Tournament

From July 11 to 14, 2025 Sale Tennis Club will host an Open and Junior Tournament. Our 2024 event attracted 129 entrants and for 2025 we have an ambitious target to attract over 200 players from local, State and National clubs.

Mirridong Services Inc

All Abilities Independence

We are seeking funding to purchase essential sound equipment, including large speakers, padded travel bags, microphones, iPad, and a durable case for the iPad. These items will allow us to create a reliable and high-quality sound system for our events, eliminating the need to borrow equipment.

Gippsland Water Dragons Inc

Gippsland Water Dragons to provide Team Building to the wider community

The GWD dragon boat club aims to increase capability to host team-building experiences with the required equipment to ensure a safe and engaging experience. GWD is seeking to buy 20 sets of paddles and 10 PFDs (life jackets).

Sale-Maffra & District Kennel Club Inc and Macalister All Breeds K&O Club Inc

Gippsland International Winter Festival - All Breeds Championship Dog Shows

The event included 4 separate All Breeds Championship Dog Shows, conducted under the Rules and Regulations of Dogs Victoria (which holds an Applicable Organisation status).

Loch Sport Foreshore Committee of Management Inc

Loch Sport Foreshore Walking Track Upgrades

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Wellington 8 Ball /Gippy Cup

Gippy Cup

Gippy Cup is Australia's largest team 8 Ball Competition. It has been running for 13 years in Sale. It is run by a team of volunteers and brings in competitors from all over the country. World Champions, State Champions and Junior Champions attend for the 3-day competition.

Yarram Yarram Landcare Network

Refurbishment of YYLN Nursery Facility (Shed)

The funds will be used to insulate, line and paint the ceiling and internal walls of the shed at YYLN's nursery, currently used for equipment storage and a meeting and tearoom for the nursery's volunteers and install a lock on an internal door.

Heyfield Golf Club

Ramp installation and floor repairs

The funds would be used to install a ramp to the split level inside the clubroom to allow for better access to all, and also to replace the uneven and broken tiles in the main area with better stability and carpet floor tiles to allow for safer use.

Gwenfa Hampton Kindergarten*Repainting of the building exterior*

The Community Assistance grant will be used to help pay for the repainting of the exterior of the kindergarten building.

Devon Valley Wildlife Shelter*Wildlife ICU*

Devon Valley Wildlife Shelter will establish a portable wildlife Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and sterilisation system to improve the survival rates of critically injured, sick, and orphaned native wildlife in Gippsland. The funds will be used to purchase a portable ICU unit and a medical steriliser unit to maintain sterile rescue equipment.

Lake Wellington Yacht Club*Disability ramp surface replacement*

The funds will be used to replace treated pine boards used on the disability ramp with Australian standard fiberglass matting. The ramp has become unusable when wet, and the boards have started to break where a knot in the timber is present, rendering them unsafe.

Sale Public Cemetery*Community Volunteer Gardening Group*

The activity is a volunteer gardening group tending gardens, both existing and planned, within the Cemetery Grounds. As the size of the group grows and the frequency of working bees increases, we are in need of dedicated gardening tools and equipment to ensure participants are fully engaged.

Rosedale & District Pony Club*Rosedale Pony Club Horse Trials 22nd and 23rd of November 2025*

Horse Trials are popular equestrian events that draw a lot of competitors to the region. However, the upkeep of the course requires a lot of volunteer hours and fundraising from our stretched, dedicated members. The funds will be used to upgrade various pieces of equipment from take-off show jumps to ensure the safety of all competitors.

Sale City Band*Wash Basin Replacement*

Replacement of 45-year-old wash basins in the Men's and Ladies' bathrooms in the Sale City Band Hall.

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